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1. CHINA

WOODCOCK ARRIVED PEKING TUES NIGHT; TOLD REPORTERS AT
AIRPORT THAT FULL NORMALIZATION RELS WITH PRC IS ONE OF
PRES' GOALS, VOICED HOPE VANCE'S PEKING VISIT "WOULD MOVE
US TOWARD THAT GOAL." WOODCOCK MET BY PRC PROTOCOL DEPUTY
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DIRECTOR LIU HUA/ALMOST ENTIRE USLO STAFF/DIPLO ENVOYS FROM
DOZEN NATIONS. REUTER (PEKING 7/26) CITES SPECULATION
WOODCOCK COULD BE FIRST FOREIGNER MEETING TENG SINCE HIS
RETURN TO POWER.

AP (TOKYO) SAYS TOKYO-MONITORED BROADCAST NOTED WOODCOCK'S
PEKING ARRIVAL IN 1-PARAGRAPH REPORT. DECLARES ONE OF
WOODCOCK'S FIRST TASKS BELIEVED MAKE PREPARATIONS FOR
VANCE VISIT (SUN). WP ALSO CARRIES NEW DISPATCHES OF WOOD-
COCK ARRIVAL.

PRC/ALBANIA CONTINUED TAKE THINLY-VEILED SWIPES AT EACH OTHER TUES, WHILE PUBLICLY DENYING THEY HAVE ANY QUARREL (WP). PRC OFFICIALLY DENIED TUES FOREIGN PRESS REPORTS SUGGESTING ALBANIA IS ENDING PEKING'S AID PROGRAM (REUTER NYT).
REUTER (PEKING) REPORTS "PD" PUBLISHED KUO MO-JO POEM WEDNESDAY, ALLUDING TO TENG AS "BRIGHT TALENT" AND CELEBRATING EXPULSION "GANG OF 4."

2. CHINA/JAPAN

SIX-MEMBER PRC DELEGATION WILL VISIT JAPAN FOR 2 WKS FROM 8/12 TO STUDY BASEBALL TECHNIQUES/INSPECT FACILITIES (REUTER, CSM).

3. JAPAN

FROM LONDON, UNSWORTH (JOC) REPORTS JAPANESE TOOK 1/3 ALL UK'S COMMERCIAL VEHICLE IMPORTS IN JUNE. JAPAN'S MARKET PENETRATION OVER PAST 18 MONTHS HAS LED UK MFRS CLAIM IT'S DISRUPTING THEIR OWN PRODUCTIVITY. UK MFRS SOCIETY HAS SENT JAPANESE AUTO MFRS ASSN LETTER ASKING VOLUNTARY UNCLASSIFIED

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RESTRAINT ON EXPORTS TO UK.

SUN'S SEIDEN (TOKYO) DOES ITEM ON MARRIAGES BETW FOW WOMEN/JAPANESE MEN. DESCRIBES DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED IN BEING IMMIGRANT IN JAPAN'S STILL RELATIVELY IMPENETRABLE SOCIETY.

4. PHILIPPINES

IN MANILA, CESAR CHAVEZ TOLD PHILS AGRARIAN REFORM SEC TUES THAT UFW STILL STRIVING PROVIDE SOME 5 MILLION SEASONAL/MIGRANT WORKERS W/DECENT LIVING STD. CHAVEZ TO RECEIVE AWARD FROM MARCOS 7/27 (REUTER, WP).

5. INDOCHINA

EA'S HOLBROOKE TOLD FRASER HIRC SUBCMTE TUES THAT UP TO 1.2 MILLION MAY HAVE BEEN KILLED UNDER COMMUNISTS IN CAMBODIA; HELD OUT LITTLE HOPE US COULD DO ANYTHING ABOUT SITUATION. HEARINGS CONCERNED HUMAN RTS IN CAMBODIA/SRV. HOLBROOKE STATED ACCORDING REFUGEE TESTIMONY, POL EXECUTIONS CONTINUE IN CAMBODIA. ADDED US UNSUCCESSFUL IN TRYING MAKE CONTACT W/CAMBODIAN AUTHORITIES (REUTER WASHINGTON).

SUBCMTE APPROVED RESOLUTION THAT CONDEMNED KILLINGS IN CAMBODIA/CALLED ON PRES TO SEEK RALLY INTL SUPPORT TO

BRING REPRESSIVE MEASURES TO END. SRV REFUGEE NGUYEN CONG HOAN INVITED TESTIFY BEFORE SUBCMTE; STATED ANY US AID TO HANOI SHOULD BE CONDITIONED ON PROTECTION HUMAN RTS VN (UPI, NYT).

QUESTION HOW MANY DIED IN CAMBODIA CONTROVERSIAL. HOLBROOKE/TWINING EMPHASIZED NO SURE WAY KNOW NUMBER, SINCE INFO BASED ON REFUGEE REPORTS. TWINING ADDED MANY KHMERS FLEEING INTO SRV WHERE EVIDENTLY BEING TREATED UNCLASSIFIED

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WELL (AP, SUN). MARDER (WP) REVIEWS TESTIMONY RE CAMBODIAN TRAGEDY/INADEQUACY HARD INFO ON SUBJECT. RECALLS EARLIER HEARINGS ON SUBJECT. NOTES HISTORY US INVOLVEMENT IN CAMBODIA SINCE 1970 WAS PASSED OVER AT HEARING, EXCEPT FOR FLEETING ALLUSION. ADDS ONLY PROSPECT FOR US ACTION HELD OUT BY HOLBROOKE IS CONTINUE AID TO REFUGEES.

OBERDORFER (WP) REVIEWS TESTIMONY NGUYEN CONG HOAN, WHO WAS ANTI-GVN NATL ASSY MEMBER UNDER THIEU REGIME, THEN AGAIN IN NATL ASSY UNDER COMMUNIST GOVT BEFORE FLEEING. HOAN DESCRIBED JAILINGS/KILLINGS AFTER COMMUNISTS TOOK OVER; SAID AFTER 2 YRS UNDER COMMUNISM MOST VIETS REALIZE HAVE MUCH LESS INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM ;HAN BEFORE.

6. INDOCHINA/THAILAND

RTG MIL CHIEF SAYS MAY INVADE CAMBODIA IF BORDER HOSTILITIES CONTINUE (WSJ; AP, NYT).

SRV/LAOS/THAILAND BEGAN FORMAL TALKS W/UN REPS AT VIENTIANE WEDNESDAY TO REVIVE COOPERATION ON UN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS ALONG MEKONG (REUTER VIENTIANE).

7. KOREA

SECDEF BROWN ENDS VISIT. PLEDGES US WILL CONTINUE COVER SK W/NUKE UMBRELLA. JOINT COMMUNIQUE SAYS 1ST PULLOUT OF 6000 WILL BE COMPLETED BY END 1978; US PROPOSED 1.9 BILLION DOL MIL CREDIT/GRANT PROGRAM TO AUGMENT ROKG'S 5 BILLION DOL MIL MODERNIZATION PLAN (WSJ; AP, NYDN).

US OFFICIALS SAY CARTER ADMIN WILL UNDERTAKE EXTENSIVE "EDUCATION" ON HILL TO CONVINCE THAT W/DRAWAL WON'T DIS- UNCLASSIFIED

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TURB BALANCE IN KOREA (WSJ). BULK US INFANTRY POWER WILL REMAIN UNTIL VERY END PULLOUT IN 1982, ACCORDING AGREEMENT WORKED OUT BY BROWN. CONGRESSIONAL REACTION TO AID REQUEST UNCERTAIN, THO BROWN SAYS CONFIDENT PROGRAM WOULD

GO FORWARD FOLLOWING CONSULTATION W/HILL/ADJUSTMENTS. COMMUNIQUE EMPHASIZES US COMMITMENT; QUESTIONS RAISED BY SK PRESS AT NEWS CONF REFLECT CONTINUING SKEPTICISM OVER US INTENTIONS.

OKA (CSM), AT SEOUL, REVIEWS COMMUNIQUE/BROWN'S PRE-DEPARTURE PRESS CONF. NOTES ADMIN WILL HAVE MAKE CONCERTED EFFORT GET HILL APPROVE COMPENSATORY MEASURES REQUIRED TO STRENGTHEN/MODERNIZE ROK FORCES. ADDS US-SK DISAGREEMENTS REMAIN RE DETAILS PULLOUT PLAN. FULLER (CHITRIB), AT TOKYO, SAYS 2/3 US COMBAT INFANTRYMEN ALONG INVASION ROUTES WILL REMAIN IN SK UNTIL END PULLOUT. REVIEWS AGREEMENT DETAILS.

CORDDRY (SUN) SAYS KEY POINT OF AGREEMENT WAS DELAY IN REMOVAL MAJOR US COMBAT ELEMENTS TILL END PULLOUT PERIOD. ADDS SOME OFFICIALS BELIEVE AID PACKAGE WILL GO TO HILL SPREAD OUT OVER LENGTHY PERIOD INSTEAD OF AS SINGLE PACKAGE. WEINRAUB (NYT SEOUL) STATES US REPONDED TO ROKG PLEA IN AGREEING DELAY PULLOUT COMBAT TROOPS. SAYS PARK REPORTEDLY PLEASED; REVIEWS OTHER PARTS AGREEMENT/ REMAINING ISSUES.

THARP (WSJ) NOTES QUESTIONS REMAIN RE CONGRESSIONAL REACTION TO PULLOUT/COMPENSATORY MEASURES TO STRENGTHEN SK. ADDS BROWN LEFT FOR TOKYO 7/26 TO CONFER W/GOJ OFFICIALS.

BABCOCK (WP) REPORTS ATTY GEN BELL WILL BRIEF HOUSE ON KOREAN PROBE. SUN SAYS BELL DEFENDS COMPETENCE/ CAPABILITY DOJ IN INVESTIGATING SK INFLUENCE-BUYING SCANDAL. SUZI PARK THOMPSON TELLS PRESS HAS NO KNOWLEDGE UNCLASSIFIED

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OF BRIBES/PAYOFFS ON HILL (VOLZ, NYDN; UPI, NYT; SUN).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

8. KOREA

IN FLOOR SPEECH TUES, SEN DOLE (R-KAN) CALLED ON PRES TO INITIATE WIDER CONSULTATION WITH CONGRESS ON TROOP WITHDRAWAL PLANS. SAID HE HOPED IDEA WOULD BE RECONSIDERED/PERHAPS ADJUSTED IN CONSULTATION WITH CONGRESS. ACCORDING DOLE, IT'S BECOMING PAINFULLY OBVIOUS THAT US HAS NO VIABLE ALTERNATIVE EA BASE STRUCTURE THAT COULD ADEQUATELY SUSTAIN FULL-SCALE CHALLENGE ON COMMITMENT TO SK. ASKED COMMENT ON DOLE SPEECH, SEN BYRD (D-VA) CON- TENDED THERE HAD BEEN ADMIN CONSULTATION ON SK WITHDRAWAL; ASKED IT BE NOTED HE REACTED WITH YAWN TO DOLE'S CHARGES (REUTER 7/26).

TO SUN, PRES' "PEREMPTORY" SK WITHDRAWAL PLAN REMAINS
"CAMPAIGN PLEDGE IN SEARCH OF AN EXPLANATION." COMPLAINS
THAT WITH HARDLY TRACE OF PUBLIC DISCUSSION/CONGRESSIONAL
STUDY, NATION FINDS ITSELF ARBITRARILY COMMITTED TO 5-YR
PULLOUT THAT LEAVES OUR ASIAN ALLIES DISMAYED/JCS
UNHAPPY. DECLARES THAT UNTIL CARTER MORE FULLY EXPLAINS
POLICY TO CONGRESS/PEOPLE, "HE IS COURTING TROUBLE."

CHITRIB'S STAYSKAL CARTOON DEPICTS 2 CONGRESSMEN LEAVING
CAPITOL PASSING NEWSPAPERS HEADLINED: "US TO PAY KOREA
1 BILLION DOL IN TROOP PULLOUT." ONE LEGISLATOR COMMENTS,
"THE KICKBACKS BOGGLE MY MIND;"

9. INDOCHINA/THAILAND

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MORITZ (CSM HK) LOOKS OVER THAI-CAMBODIAN BORDER SITUA-
TION. BELIEVES BEHIND RECURRING FRICTION IS OFTEN
UNCLEARLY DEMARCATED FRONTIER WHERE VIOLENCE OFTEN CAUSED
BY SMUGGLING W/INCIDENT DISPUTES/REPRISALS, AS WELL AS
PRESENCE ANTI-COMMUNIST CAMBODIAN REFUGEES ON THAI SIDE,
W/SOME REFUGEES POSSIBLY INVOLVED IN SMUGGLING/HELPING
OTHERS ESCAPE/ESPIONAGE MISSIONS. OPINES RECENT CLAMP-
DOWN ON SMUGGLING IS SIGN RTG SEEKING MEND RELS W/
CAMBODIA DUE POSITION AS BUFFER BETW THAILAND/SRV.
ADDS CAMBODIA UNWILLING ACCEDE TO THAI REQUESTS FOR BORDER
TALKS, BUT ALSO BELIEVED DISTRUSTFUL SRV.

10. INDOCHINESE REFUGEES

REP EILBERG WRITES PHINQ TO REFUTE ALLEGATIONS THAT HE
LACKS HUMANITARIAN CONCERN FOR REFUGEES/PRACTICES
OBSTRUCTIONISM TO ADMISSION MORE.

11. CHINA

WSTAR (7/26) NOTES TENG IS "GOOD GUY AGAIN." SAYS WHILE
THERE MAY WELL BE SOME "FREE-ENTERPRISE-STYLE INCENTIVES"
ASSOCIATED WITH TENG, FUNDAMENTAL FACT ABOUT REVOLUTIONARY
SOCIETY OF COMMUNIST SORT IS PRESENCE OF IMPOSITION FROM
ABOVE/FORCE, WHICH LEAD TO MUTINIES/FACTIONALISM, NEED FOR
STABILIZATION BY TYRANNICAL BUREAUCRATIC ELITE. SAYS IF
THERE ARE ALTERNATIVES TO SCENARIO, "HISTORY HAS YET TO
SHOW US."

JOC'S COOPER CITES CONCLUSION OF NUMBER OF CHINA-WATCHERS
THAT WHILE TENG'S REHABILITATION CONFIRMS GROWING PRAG-
MATISM IN CHINESE POLITICS, THERE IS ALSO CONSIDERABLE
UNCERTAINTY ABOUT WHO WILL ULTIMATELY STEP INTO MAO'S
SHOES. NOTES RAY CLINE'S VIEW THAT HUA IS POTENTIAL
VICTIM OF TENG'S REINSTATEMENT; CLINE SEES TENG'S RETURN

AS HUA'S ADMISSION OF INABILITY GOVERN WITHOUT HIM--AND
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QUESTION IS WHETHER TENG WILL ATTEMPT OUST HUA, THOUGH THERE APPEAR NO MAJOR POLICY DISAGREEMENTS BETWEEN THEM FOR TIME BEING. COOPER NOTES VIEW OF YALE'S LARDY THAT PRESENT PRC LEADERSHIP, TENG IN PARTICULAR, WILL PUSH PRIMACY OF PRODUCTION.

IN HK, CHITRIB'S BONAVIA SAYS TENG'S RETURN REPRESENTS VITAL STIFFENING FOR HUA'S "SOMEWHAT FLABBY LEADERSHIP." FINDS ENTHUSIASTIC MASS CELEBRATIONS FOR TENG IN SHARP CONTRAST TO FORMAL/CLEARLY ORGANIZED CELEBRATIONS WHICH GREETED HUA'S ELEVATION. SAYS TENG "HAS WORK CUT OUT" TO RESTORE DAMAGED CCP PRESTIGE/REORGANIZE PLA/ETC; SUGGESTS TENG'S AGE ALSO MAKES UNLIKELY HE WILL HAVE MORE THAN FEW YEARS' EFFECTIVE WORKING LIFE.

ORLANDO (FLA) SENTINEL-STAR EDITOR SQUIRES, NOTING TENG'S RETURN, SAYS CHINESE PUBLIC MUST BE RE-EDUCATED AGAIN, THIS TIME BY PRESS IN HANDS OF NEW GOVT. AND, IF TENG'S HEALTH HOLDS UP, "HE COULD LAST 10 MORE YEARS--OR MAYBE JUST A WEEK" (CHITRIB).

IN PEKING, TORONTO GLOBE AND MAIL'S MUNRO SAYS TENG IS MOST RESPECTED MAN IN PRC TODAY, AND REASONS ARE MANY: HE HAS HAD COURAGE BE CONSISTENT/OUTSPOKEN IN OPINIONS; HAS LEARNED WHERE ALL LEVERS OF POWER ARE/HOW USE THEM; HIS BREADTH OF EXPERIENCE/NETWORK OF POL CONNECTIONS/MANAGERIAL ABILITY UNEQUALLED; HE HAS DEMONSTRATED ONCE AND FOR ALL THAT HE IS MOST DURABLE SURVIVOR IN COUNTRY. SEES TENG DETERMINED PULL PRC BACK ONTO ROAD TO RAPID ECON GROWTH (CSM).

IN NYT, JOHN FAIRBANK ASSERTS WE CAN NEVER EXPECT PEKING MAKE FOREIGNERS PROMISES ABOUT "DOMESTIC MATTER" OF TAI-
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WAN. SAYS "AS WE PREPARE TO ACCEPT" PRC'S 3 CONDITIONS FOR NORMALIZATION, WE SHOULD EQUALLY PREPARE LEGISLATIVE/ OTHER UNILATERAL ACTIONS TO INSURE CONTINUED US TRADE/ INVESTMENT/TRAVEL/CULTURAL CONTACT WITH TAIWAN; BUT TO ASSERT ONLY US PRINCIPLES, IGNORING CHINESE PRINCIPLE OF "ONE CHINA," WE COURT DISASTER AGAIN.

IN MONDAY INTERVIEW, U OF PITTSBURGH'S DR STERNGLASS CHARGED US INFANT MORTALITY INCREASED SHARPLY IN STATES WHICH EXPERIENCED RADIOACTIVE FALLOUT FROM PRC LAST AUTUMN. REUTER (7/26) CITES OTHER EXPERTS THAT THEY WERE UNAWARE OF ANY EVIDENCE RADIOACTIVITY LEVELS EXPERIENCED

LAST FALL WOULD RESULT IN PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM.

12. CHINA/SRV/UN

CHITRIB SAYS VN'S ENTRY INTO UNGA WOULD BE SHOCKING
TRAVESTY OF ORGANIZATION'S PURPOSES "IF ONE WERE STILL
CAPABLE OF BEING SHOCKED BY ANYTHING" UN DID. NOTES
ROC WAS OUSTED FROM UN/REPLACED BY PRC IN LINE WITH
PEKING'S CLAIM OF SOVEREIGNTY OVER ALL CHINA; CONTRASTS
THIS TO BYELORUSSIA/UKRAINE MEMBERSHIP UN, EVEN THOUGH
SOVIET "(AND EVERYBODY ELSE)" CONSIDERS THEM PART OF IT.

13. HONG KONG

IN HK, WP'S MATHEWS/TSE FIND COLONY STILL DRAWING
REFUGEES FROM PRC. SAY SO FAR THIS YEAR ALMOST 800 CAUGHT
TRYING ENTER COLONY; "NO ONE REALLY KNOWS WHY"; EBB/FLOW
OF PEKING POLITICS DOES NOT SEEM AFFECT NUMBERS. VANCE

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